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9 August 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Ops Staff, DDO

FROM : [REDACTED] A/DDCI

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SUBJECT : Disestablishment of [REDACTED]

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1. The DDCI was most appreciative of the comprehensive memo on subject dated 27 July 1976. He is interested to know whether the [REDACTED]

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2. Would you send us a note in response.

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Remarks: I received some clarification on the attached memorandum from SA/ADDO, as follows:

The subject of what the Agency is willing to do for personnel captured by terrorists has come up frequently in training sessions for junior officers and other similar forums. Instructors, etc., have been forced to reply that official U.S. Government policy is vague in certain important respects. Secretary Kissinger has stated at times that we will not negotiate with terrorists, but at the same time has indicated acceptance of the concept that you at least have to establish communications with terrorists in hostage situations. Additionally, the question of whether their employers can bargain on behalf of held as hostages has never been addressed.

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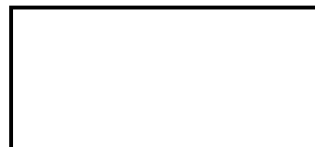
Informal contacts at State working levels have revealed that responsible Department officers themselves

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Memorandum: Request for Policy in the Event of Terrorist Kidnapping of Agency Personnel.

are not exactly sure of Kissinger's feelings on this subject and would like to see them spelled out. This sentiment was reiterated, in fact, by Under Secretary Habib in a recent meeting with Ted Shackley. Habib believed that the Secretary would respond favorably to an approach by the DCI on this subject and would accept the recommendations contained in the attached memo.



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